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July 25, 1997

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Attn: Alva Smith

Re: MUR 4646

Dear Ms. Smith:

On behalf of the Friends of Jane Harman and its Treasurer, we are replying to the complaint of which we were notified by the Commission by letter dated June 24, 1997.*

We have reviewed the allegations and have no information relevant or useful to any inquiry the Committee may choose to make. The complainant appears to suggest that individuals requested by third parties to raise funds for the Committee may have done so in a fashion impermissible under the Act. The Respondents have no knowledge that any such illegal acts were committed by the named individuals or by any others supporting Representative Harman's campaigns for federal office. In fact, there is no reasonable basis known to the Harman Respondents to suggest that these or any contributions raised for or made to the Committee did not comply with federal law.

^{*} We are replying under an extension of time to respond today granted by letter dated July 23, 1997.

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Should the Commission conduct a further inquiry into the matter and determine that these or any other contributions made to the Committee do not comply with the requirements of the Act, the Respondents will, of course, take all appropriate action at that time.

Very truly yours,

Judith L. Corley

Counsel to Friends of Jane Harman

and its Treasurer